GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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FREIGHT FOR SALT TRANSPORTATION
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the present rate of railway freight for salt transportation;

(b) whether the Government of India is considering to reduce the freight as salt is basic and important product both for human

(b)consumption as well as industrial use;

(c) is there any difference in freight rate between salt for human consumption and industrial use; and

(d) the freight rates during last four years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(SHRI R. VELU)

(a) At present the Salt for transportation in train load is charged at Class 110 except for Salt for industrial use which is charged at Class 120. (b) Presently there is no such proposal under consideration.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) From 01.4.2004 to 31.3.2005, Salt for industrial use was charged at Class 115. From 01.4.2005, it is charged at Class 120. Salt other than Salt for industrial use was charged at Class 90 from 01.4.2004 to 14.1.2006. It was revised to Class 100 from 15.1.2006. It was further revised to Class 110 from 01.6.2006.